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WORDS TO LEARN

	Vocabulary	People, Places, Events, et cetera
p. 434	preside	Andrew Haswell Green, Brooklyn Bridge
p. 435	*controller, commission, *charter	Boss Tweed
p. 436	*wholesale market	Trinity Church, City Hall
p. 438	coastal, transatlantic	
p. 439	*facilities, *terminal	Port of New York Authority, La Guardia Airport, Union Freight Terminal, Port Authority Bus Terminal
p. 440	*water barriers	Tappan Zee Bridge, New York State Thruway
p. 441	specialists, suspension span	Throggs Neck Bridge
p. 442	scandal, graft, corruption	George B. McClellan, John Purroy Mitchel, James J. Walker, Fiorello H. La Guardia, Thomas E. Dewey
p. 443	administration	
p. 444	*crime rate	Robert F. Wagner
p. 446	dwellers	New York City Housing Authority
p. 447	*generation	United Nations

Words Used in Context

controller — When crooks left the city treasury empty, Andrew Green was made controller and put in charge of the city's expenses. Within a few years as controller he straightened out this financial problem.

charter — Before the boroughs could be organized into Greater New York City, it was necessary to draw up a charter. The charter gave written permission for the organization of Greater New York City.

coastal — Because New York City is located on the Atlantic Ocean, it has much coastal trade. People living near the ocean often see a number of coastal liners bringing in cargoes.

terminal — Cargoes and passengers are unloaded at a terminal. The railroads deliver their cargoes to the Union Freight Terminal in New York City.

Words Used in Context (Continued)

specialists — Because they study and work only in a particular field, some people are called specialists. Brain surgeons and corporation lawyers study for many years to become specialists in their fields.

suspension span — The Verrazano-Narrows Bridge has the longest suspension span in the world. This suspension span will stretch from Brooklyn to Staten Island and will be high above the sea level.

scandal — Since several plots to steal money from the city were uncovered, the years after the Civil War were marked by scandal. One scandal involved the Tweed Ring which stole millions of dollars and an alderman who had been bribed to vote a certain way.

graft — Even honest mayors sometimes had difficulty in preventing dishonesty and graft among the city officers. Two borough presidents were accused of graft when it was proven that they took advantage of their jobs to gain dishonest money.

corruption — Bribery, graft and dishonesty were part of the corruption in the 1880's in the city. Years later, Mayor La Guardia fought crooked politicians and gangsters to end this corruption.

dwellers — Dwellers in city areas are surrounded by large apartments and skyscrapers. Country dwellers on the other hand, make their homes in areas surrounded by woods and fields.

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VOCABULARY TEST

1. At a terminal
   a. railroad ties cross
   b. the ocean meets the land
   c. cargoes and passengers are unloaded
   d. a light house is built
   1._____

2. A controller is in charge of the city's
   a. finances
   b. housing
   c. recreation
   d. transportation
   2._____

3. Political corruption nearly always involves
   a. railroads
   b. Republicans
   c. bribery
   d. Democrats
   3._____

4. A charter is
   a. a boat
   b. a written grant
   c. the Gettysburg Address
   d. a small chart
   4._____

5. Coastal areas are located near:
   a. a lighthouse
   b. a canal
   c. the sea
   d. the equator
   5._____

6. The discovery of politicians taking money illegally usually results in
   a. a scandal
   b. a political ring
   c. arbitration
   d. appointment of new judges
   6._____

7. Which of the following are specialists:
   a. farmers
   b. open-heart surgeons
   c. grave diggers
   d. Marine sergeants
   7._____

8. The word suspension span is used when referring to:
   a. underclothes
   b. railroads
   c. bridges
   d. tunnels
   8._____

9. Dwellers are
   a. people who live in houses
   b. people who dig wells
   c. people who own farms
   d. people who travel a lot
   9._____

10. Taking advantage of a political office to get money is called
    a. scandal
    b. gerrymandering
    c. graft
    d. politicking
    10._____

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DIRECTED READING

READ TO FIND THE ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS:

p. 434, Greater New York City Is Born

1. What is meant by "Greater New York City"?
2. How was Andrew Haswell Green important in the formation of Greater New York City?

p. 436, New York City Retains Business Leadership

3. Why is the city accurately called the "Empire City"?
4. What are the functions of the Port of New York Authority?
5. Why was the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority created?

p. 442, The City Fights Corruption

6. How was Fiorello H. La Guardia important in the fight against corruption?

p. 445, Crowded City Dwellers Seek a Better Life

7. What poor conditions did the immigrant face?
8. How has the Housing Authority helped city dwellers?

p. 447, The United Nations Selects New York City for Its Headquarters

9. Where in New York City is the United Nations located?
10. Why is New York City a good location for the United Nations?

REVIEW THE CHAPTER BY ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS ON PAGES 448 and 449 OF YOUR TEXT

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CRITICAL READING (Judging Fact vs. Opinion)

When you read your textbook, you should read carefully and critically to weigh what the authors are telling you in light of what you have already read and know. You will want to know when the authors are stating facts and when they are giving opinions. A fact is a statement which can be proven. An opinion, on the other hand, is a judgment which may or may not be based on fact and which needs further proof before we can accept it as a fact. For example, on p.443 of your textbook you will find the following sentence: "Fiorello H. La Guardia was elected mayor in 1933." This statement can easily be proven and is, therefore, a fact. On the same page of your text you will find another sentence: "La Guardia brought a new spirit to New York City." Notice that your authors are expressing an opinion. La Guardia may have brought a new spirit to New York, but we would need proof, specific facts, to show how he did this. We would also need to know what the authors mean by a "new spirit."

All of the following statements are quoted directly from your textbook. Read the statements critically and before each one put F for fact; O for opinion. There may be some question or disagreement over whether some of the statements are facts or opinions.

____ 1. "Over two million tons of goods are handled by the Port District in a single year."
____ 2. "Mayor James J. Walker, better known to New Yorkers as Jimmy Walker, was loved dearly."
____ 3. "The old New York families, the immigrants and their children, the people moving in from the southern states and other parts of the country-all have worked together to make the city a better place in which to live, work, and play."
____ 4. "The foreign-born and native-born citizens who had at least one foreign-born parent made up more than half the population of the city in 1960."
____ 5. "The city serves the representatives of all nations well."
____ 6. "When a strike halted the printing of newspapers, he (La Guardia) read the comics over the radio to the children of the city."
____ 7. "New York City dwellers are known as hard workers who do their jobs fast and well."
____ 8. "At the time Greater New York City was created in 1898 it had a population of over three million."
____ 9. "It is fitting that New York City should have been chosen as the home of the United Nations, because here millions of people of all races and creeds have learned to live together in peaceful co-operation."
____ 10. "Automobiles and trucks traveling over the excellent network of roads in northeastern United States speed to the city."
____ 11. "Today New York City is a much better place to live than it was a generation ago."
____ 12. "People of all races and creeds live in New York City."

ELLIS, CHAPTER 30, NEW YORK BECOMES THE EMPIRE CITY
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FLIERL, CHAPTER 20, NEW YORK CITY: WORLD METROPOLIS

QUESTIONS FOR REVIEW

MATCHING QUESTIONS

I

Column I	Column II
_____ 1. heliport	a. East River site
_____ 2. Columbia University	b. borough
_____ 3. Richmond	c. advancement in air transportation
_____ 4. United Nations	d. Hudson River site
_____ 5. Greater New York City	e. educational center
_____ 6. George Washington Bridge	f. union of five boroughs

II

Column I	Column II
_____ 7. Common Council	g. racetrack
_____ 8. Tammany Society	h. clipper ship
_____ 9. Sea Witch	i. pipe used to carry water
_____ 10. Empress of China	j. political organization
_____ 11. Croton Aqueduct	k. made first American voyage to Far East
	l. consisted of Aldermen and mayor

III

Column I	Column II
_____ 12. Horace Greeley	m. New York's most colorful mayor
_____ 13. Andrew Haswell Green	n. "Be right and speak out"
_____ 14. "Jimmy" Walker	o. founded New York Herald Tribune
_____ 15. Duncan Phyfe	p. helped bring about Greater New York City
_____ 16. Fiorello La Guardia	q. furniture designer
_____ 17. Thomas E. Dewey	r. night-clubbing mayor
_____ 18. John Purroy Mitchel	s. present mayor of New York City
	t. famed racket busting D.A. who later became governor